Introduction:
A. We, as Christians, have something better than those listed in vs. 1-38.
B. We, as Christians, need to appreciate the ramifications of having something better.

Discussion:

I. It Means Greater Opportunities.
A. Hear what many have desired to see. (Luke 10:23,24).
B. Hear the greatest of God's spokesmen -- God's son. (Heb. 1:1-2).
C. Enjoy so great a salvation. (Heb. 2:3).
   1. Greater salvation from sickness or poverty.
   2. Saved from the condemnation of sin. (Rom. 8:1-4).
   3. Saved conditionally.
      b. Ultimately. (Heb. 5:8,9).
D. We are able to serve under better covenant. (Heb. 7:22; 8:6).
   2. Things not seen or heard in former dispensation. (1 Cor. 2:9,10)
   3. Provides many better things (Heb. 7-10)
      b. Promises. (7:19; 8:6)

II. It Means Greater Responsibilities
A. Much is given, much is required. (Luke 12:48).
B. Greater responsibility not to neglect salvation. (Heb. 2:1-4).
   1. Not any part of salvation: first principles, worship, daily duties.
   2. Every O.T. transgression received just recompense - what about now?
C. Greater responsibility to try to avoid sin. (Heb. 10:25-29).
   1. Salvation in Christ is not license for sin. (Rom. 6:1).
   2. Rejecting Moses' law brought death without mercy - rejection New Covenant worse.

Conclusion:
A. Something better does not give us less responsibility - but more.
B. Something better does give us more reason for rejoicing in obedience.